SUBJECT: HOME INSTRUCTION (HOME SCHOOLING)

The District will attempt to cooperate with parents who wish to provide home instruction for their children. The child who is educated at home should receive an education in a manner consistent with an educational plan and at least substantially equivalent to that given to students of like age and attainments in the local public schools. The required subjects should be taught in a competent, systematic, and sequential manner, specifically in relation to the required courses set forth in Commissioner’s regulation Section 100.10.

Primary responsibility for determining compliance with Commissioner’s regulations addressing home instruction rests with the Superintendent of the school district in which a home-instructed student resides.

Provision of Services to Home-Instructed Students

Home-instructed students are not awarded a high school diploma. A high school diploma may only be awarded to a student enrolled in a registered secondary school who has completed all program requirements set by the Board of Regents or the District.

a) Extracurricular Participation

Students instructed at home are not eligible to participate in interscholastic sports. Commissioner’s regulations mandate that only students enrolled in the public school are allowed to participate in interscholastic sports. However, the District does permit home-instructed students to participate in intramural and other school sponsored extracurricular activities.

b) Textbooks and Materials

The District will not provide textbooks and other materials to home-instructed students.

c) Health Services

The District is not required to furnish health services.

d) Remedial Programs

The District is not responsible for providing remedial programs.

e) Career and Technical/Gifted Education

The District is not authorized to provide Occupational and Vocational Education programs (career and technical education) or programs for the gifted to home-instructed students.

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SUBJECT: HOME INSTRUCTION (HOME SCHOOLING) (Cont'd.)

f) Special Education Services

Solely for the purpose of Education Law Section 3602-c, home-instructed students with disabilities are deemed to be students enrolled in and attending a nonpublic school, which enables them to receive special education services, as well as to be included for computation of state aid for such education by the District.

The Committee on Special Education (CSE) will develop an Individualized Education Services Program (IESP) for the student. The IESP will be developed in the same manner and with the same content as an IEP. The Board will determine a location where special education services are to be provided to a home-instructed student. This location may, but is not required to be, in the student's home.

g) Use of School Facilities

Students instructed at home will not be allowed to use school facilities, except as provided for community organizations in Policy #3280 -- Use of School Facilities, Materials, and Equipment.

Education Law §§ 3204, 3205, 3210(2), 3212(2), 3240-42, 3602-c, 3602-c(2-c), and 4402
8 NYCRR §§ 100.10, 135.4(c)(7)(ii)(b)(2) and 200.2(a)

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